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HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

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HONGKONG.

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T. JACKSON,

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Offices of the Corporation,
No. 1, Queen's Road East,
Hongkong, August 16, 1877.

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CAPITAL, £300,000.
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THE BANK OF ENGLAND.
THE CITY BANK.
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THE BANK'S BRANCH in HONGKONG grants drafts on London and the Chief Commercial places in Europe and the East; buys and receives for collection Bills of Exchange; and conducts all kinds of Banking and Exchange Business.
Local Bills discounted, and interest allowed on Current Accounts and on Deposits for fixed periods on terms which may be ascertained on application.

Intimations.

DENTAL NOTICE.

D. R. SPOT has RETURNED, and will be ready to receive Patients on MONDAY, the 24th instant, until further notice, at his Rooms, Ground Floor, HOTEL DE L'UNIVERS, Office hours, 8 to 12 Noon and 2 to 4 p.m. Hongkong, September 22, 1877.

DENTAL NOTICE.

D. R. ROGERS begs to inform his Patients and the Public that he intends to visit AMOY and FOOSHOW in September and October, leaving HONGKONG about the 15th of September. Hongkong, August 6, 1877.

W. BALL, CHINA DISPENSARY.

IMPORTER OF DRUGS, CHEMICALS, DRUGGISTS' Sundries, TOILET REQUISITES, PATENT MEDICINES AND PERFUMES.

Prescriptions Dispensed with Carefulness, and Prompt Attention.

PRAYA WEST, HONGKONG, Near the Canton Steamer's Wharf. Hongkong, July 12, 1876.

Intimations.

OCCEIDENTAL & ORIENTAL S. S. COMPANY.

NOTICE.

THE DEPARTURE of the Company's S. S. "GAELIC" is POSTPONED until TUESDAY, 2nd Proximo, at 2 P.M.

G. R. EMORY,

Agent.

Hongkong, September 27, 1877. sc30

G. FALCONER & Co., WATCH AND CHRONOMETER MANUFACTURERS,

JEWELLERS. NAUTICAL INSTRUMENTS, CHARTS AND BOOKS.

48, Queen's Road Central, Hongkong, August 20, 1877. sc20

NOTICE.

A. MILLAR & Co., PLUMBERS, AND GAS FITTERS,

Queen's Road East, HONGKONG. September 15, 1877.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

ADJUSTMENT OF BONDS FOR THE YEAR 1876.

SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company are requested to furnish the Underigned with a List of their Contributions for the year ending 31st December last, in order that the proportion of the Net Profit to be reserved for Contributors may be arranged. Returns not rendered prior to the 31st October next will be adjusted by the Company, and no claims or alterations will be subsequently admitted.

JAS. B. COUGHTRE, Secretary.

Hongkong, August 1, 1877. sc1

NOTICE.

M. A. HAHN begs to inform his numerous Patrons and the Public generally of Hongkong, that, by special request, he has now OPENED his ESTABLISHMENT in this Colony at WANCHAI, in the Premises lately occupied by the American Consul.

Mr. HAHN trusts to be favored with the continued Patronage of the public, as he has lately received a NEW STOCK of REPAIRING MATERIALS, all of the best qualities, from England, France and Germany. Inspection invited.

Hongkong, September 7, 1877. sc7

PIANOS and any other Musical Instruments, TUNED, REPAIRED, and RE-CONSTRUCTED. PIANOS ON HIRE, by the Month or Occasionally. PIANOS FOR SALE, New and Second-Hand, all in perfectly Good Order, Guaranteed.

Special Attention is invited to a new Grand Cottage PIANO, by LUDWIG and RIEBER, Zeitz—Just Received from Germany, and specially constructed for this climate to the order of the Underigned.

Orders from any of the Outposts in the East, will meet with prompt attention if addressed:—Care of Messrs LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., or Messrs GAUFF & Co.

A. HAHN.

Hongkong, September 7, 1877.

THE HONGKONG HOTEL.

TENDERS are invited for a LEASE of the HONGKONG HOTEL, the present Five-yearly Lease expiring on the 31st August, 1878. SEALED TENDERS to be sent in on or before the 31st March, 1878, to the Secretary of the Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited, who will supply any information required.

By Order of the Directors,

LOUIS HAUSCHILD, Secretary.

Hongkong, September 15, 1877. sc1

AFONG, PHOTOGRAPHER,

by appointment, to H. E. SIE ARTHUR KENNEDY, GOVERNOR OF HONGKONG, and to

H. I. H. THE GRAND DUKE ALEXIS OF RUSSIA.

Wyndham Street, formerly ATHLETIC CLUB.

HAS on hand the Largest and Best collection of Views of China, Photographic Albums, Frames, Cases, &c., of assorted sizes. Ex S. S. Tigre, Revolving Standard Albums, Armorial Monograms and Postage Stamp Albums, Russia Leather, Velvet and carved-wood Albums, Cases and Frames, nice Albums for Cabinet Portraits only, Portraits of the Generals of the present Russo-Turkish War, Emblems of the British Statesmen, the two Chinese Ambassadors in Cabinet and Carte de Visite sizes, Coloured Portraits of English Ladies.

Hongkong, August 24, 1877.

Intimations.

CONDENSED EGGS.

THIS NEW ARTICLE, recently placed upon the Market, consists simply of fresh-laid HENS' EGGS, from which most of the water has been evaporated, and being hermetically sealed, remains perfectly sound.

The EGGS thus condensed are obtained in the Empire of China, and canned in the immediate vicinity in which they are produced, thereby avoiding the deterioration to which EGGS are subjected when transported in the shell. So that, in point of fact, the CONDENSED EGGS preserved under the patent of A. R. DAVIS, furnish to the consumer, EGGS possessing more perfectly the properties of fresh-laid EGGS than those ordinarily supplied to any city. The CONDENSED EGGS will heat up into light froth as readily as EGGS taken immediately from the shell, and are equally valuable in making Cakes, Custards, Creams, Pastry, puddings, Egg-Nog, &c., &c.

ECONOMY.

For Hotels, and Restaurants, or for Families, or Vessels at sea, this Article is invaluable, as there is no loss from breakage or decay, and a tin will keep for any length of time after opening, being sealed only for transportation.

One Table-spoonful is equal to one Egg. Add equal amount of water (warm is preferable); dissolve it well; then use same as any Egg.

LAMBERT, ATKINSON & Co.,

Agents for Hongkong.

MUSTARD & Co.,

General Agents at Shanghai. sc24

BANK HOLIDAY.

AS an Interval of TWELVE DAYS will elapse before the Departure of the next English Mail, the Undermentioned BANKS will observe MONDAY, the 1st Proximo, as a Holiday.

For the "Oriental Bank Corporation,"

C. MORLAND KERR, Manager.

For the "Chartered Mercantile Bank of India, London and China,"

H. H. NELSON, Manager.

For the "Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China,"

WILLIAM FORREST, Actg. Manager.

For the "Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation,"

T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.

For the "National Bank of India, Ltd.,"

C. E. THOMSON, Actg. Manager.

Hongkong, September 27, 1877. sc1

NOTICE.

THE OFFICES of Messrs. ADAMSON, BELL & Co., are this Day REMOVED to the First Floor of the Premises in QUEEN'S ROAD, lately occupied by the COMPTON D'ESCOMPRE DE PARIS. Offices to be let on the Ground Floor. Hongkong, September 24, 1877. sc1

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

ADJUSTMENT OF BONDS FOR THE YEAR 1876.

SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company are requested to furnish the Underigned with a List of their Contributions for the year ending 31st December last, in order that the distribution of Twenty per cent (20%) of the Net Profit reserved for Contributors may be arranged. Returns not rendered prior to the 31st October next, will be adjusted by the Company, and no claims or alterations will be subsequently admitted.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, August 1, 1877. sc1

DEVOS'S BRILLIANT OIL.

RELIABLE, ECONOMICAL, SAFE!!

DESIRING to benefit by the world-wide reputation of our Oil, certain parties have attempted to imitate our packaging. Suits at law have been instituted against the MAKERS and PURCHASERS of these imitations. Buyers should be careful to see that the words "DEVOS'S BRILLIANT" are stencilled on the case, and the words "DEVOS & CO. PATENTS" are stamped on the top of the can.

THE DEVOS MANUFACTURING Co.,

60 Beaver and 127 Pearl Streets,

NEW YORK, U. S. A.

For Sale.

LAMBERT, ATKINSON & Co. HAVE FOR SALE,

EX STEAMSHIPS

"YORKSHIRE," "MADAGASCAR,"

"CITY OF TOKIO," &c., &c.

1877.

NEW SEASON'S (May) BUTTER.

The First Shipment of Burch & Co.'s Celebrated Cowbrand DANISH BUTTER.

In Tins of 1 lb. each, 60 Cents per lb. In Tins of 2 lb. each, 55 Cents per lb. In Tins of 4 lb. each, 50 Cents per lb.

Fresh supplies of CROSS & BLACKWELL'S

OILMAN'S STORES, and American

Family MEASURES, —As per their

July Price List.

(All Stores sold by L. A. & Co. are of the Very Best Quality.)

Chappell & Co.'s New and Popular

MUSIC and SONGS.

Very Superior California BLANKETS,

12/4 and 14/4.

California KNEE BOOTS.

Dawson's Best London-made GENTLE-

MEN'S BOOTS.

HORSE BLANKETS.

Central and Fin-fire CARTRIDGE

CASES.

Gun-Wade PERCUSSION CAPS.

BILLIARD TABLE CLOTHS.

ROCKETS and BLUE LIGHTS.

HOTH'S RUSSIAN ROPE and

TARRED LINES.

FISHING LINES and WHITE LINES,

of all descriptions.

INDIA RUBBER SHEETS, and In-

sertion of all Sizes.

INDIA RUBBER and CANVAS DE-

LIVERY and SUCTION ROSE.

Cabin Suspension LAMPS.

Cabin CANDELS.

FENDERS and FIRE IRONS.

Japanese TOILET SETS.

CARRIAGE LAMPS, and CARRIAGE

CANDLES.

WATER FILTERS.

Gosnell's HAIR BRUSHES, TOOTH

BRUSHES, and NAIL

BRUSHES.

A Fine Assortment of De La Rue's

STATIONERY, BOOKS, &c.

NOVELS, WORKS OF REFERENCE,

SCHOOL BOOKS, &c., &c.

Hongkong, September 15, 1877.

NOW LANDED EX "GAELIC."

A CHOICE Assortment of AMERICAN

DELICACIES in Tins:—HONEY,

CHEESE, HAMS, BACON, MAONEREL,

BEEF and PORK, &c.

TO SPORTSMEN.—Some New and Ex-

cellent COMPRESSED MEATS, suitable

for country trips.

CENTENNIAL HATS.

McEWEEN, FRIKEL & Co.,

Hongkong, September 26, 1877. sc3

DE SOUZA & Co.'s

DATE BLOCK FOR 1878,

CONTAINING

ENGLISH & CHINESE DATES, &c.

IS NOW READY.

Price, 70 Cents.

A liberal allowance will be made for 10

or more Copies.

Hongkong, September 17, 1877. sc1

FOR SALE.

CUTLER, PALMER & Co.'s

Celebrated

Brands of WINES and SPIRITS.

Apply to

SIEMSEN & Co.

Hongkong, June 22, 1876.

FOR SALE.

BERLIN TIVOLI BEER, in Cases of

4 Doz. Quarts.

WIELER & Co.

Hongkong, August 20, 1877.

NOW READY.

A CHINESE DICTIONARY IN THE

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A to K, with Introductory Royal Socy,

pp. 202.—By ERNEST JOHN EVELL, Ph.D.

Habington.

Price: Two Dollars and a Half.

To be had from Messrs LANE, CRAWFORD

& Co., Hongkong and Shanghai; and Messrs

KELLY & WALSH, Shanghai.

Hongkong, February 6, 1877.

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Underigned has received instructions to sell on

SATURDAY,

the 6th October, 1877, at 4 p.m., at

the Spot,

7 CHINESE HOUSES, Nos. 7 to 15,

Situated at the Upper Station Street,

Ground Rent, \$14 per Annum.

For Particulars, apply to

J. M. GUNDES, J.,

Auctioneer.

Hongkong, September 20, 1877. sc1

To Let.

TO LET.

OS. 4, and 5, PRICHARD TERRACE, ELGIN

STREET.

Apply to

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

Hongkong, July 30, 1877.

AN OFFICE TO LET.

Apply to

LANDSTEIN & Co.

Hongkong, September 15, 1877.

TO LET.

TOP FLOOR of the House now occupied

by Mr. A. HAHN, at Wanchai. Apply

on the Premises.

Hongkong, September 11, 1877.

TO LET.

THE DWELLING HOUSE in CAINE

ROAD, at present in the occupation of

H. DU POUY, Esq. Possession from 1st

November next.

Apply to

JOHN JACK,

East Point.

Hongkong, September 7, 1877.

TO LET.

THE Dwelling House and Office No. 1,

D'Aguilar Street, lately in the occupa-

NOTICES OF FIRMS.

NOTICE.
MR. CHARLES DAVID BOTTOMLEY was admitted a PARTNER in our Firm on the 1st July, 1877.
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.
Hongkong, September 22, 1877.

NOTICE.
WE have been appointed AGENTS for the GERMANIC LLOYD, GERMAN AND INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY FOR THE CLASSIFICATION OF SHIPS.
MELOHERS & Co.
Hongkong, September 11, 1877. ocl1

NOTICE.
MR. F. W. HAGEDORN has CEASED to be a Partner in our Firm here and in China.
VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.
Hongkong, September 1, 1877. ocl

NOTICE.
FROM This Date Mr. EDWARD SHEPARD and Mr. M. W. GRIGG, are authorized to Sign the name of our Firm for Procurement at Poochow, and Mr. F. F. EWELL at Amoy.
RUSSELL & Co.
China, June 1, 1877. del

NOTICE.
MR. F. O. DITTMER is authorized to Sign our Firm for Procurement.
SANDER & Co.
Hongkong, June 23, 1877. ocl

Intimations.

Volume Sixth of the
"CHINA REVIEW."

No. 1—Vol. VI.
—OF THE—
"CHINA REVIEW"

CONTAINS—

Chinese Studies and Official Interpretation in the Colony of Hongkong.
Constitutional Law of the Chinese Empire.
The Tang Hoi Chi, A Modern Chinese Novel.
A Chinese Primer.
The Law of Inheritance.
Short Notices of New Books and Literary Intelligence.
Notes and Queries—
Chinese Marriages.
Studies in Words.
The Educational Curriculum of the Chinese.
Restoration of the Old Sounds of the Chinese Language.
Notes on Chinese Grammar.
Russian Sinologists.
Asyria and China.
The Word "Swallow."
Corrigenda—Chinese Studies and Official Interpretation in the Colony of Hongkong.
China Mail Office,
Hongkong, September 1, 1877.

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessels, during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:—

NIMROD, British barque, Capt. Clark.—Captain.
ABERLADY, British barque, Capt. Nicoll.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
VISCONT MACDUFF, British 3-m. schooner, Capt. Wm. Wright.—Borneo Co. Limited.
CRETERION, American ship, Captain W. Lull.—Stiemssen & Co.
WOODVILLE, British barque, Captain Nielsen.—Wm. Pustau & Co.
ALPHINGTON, British barque, Captain G. Cunningham.—Wieler & Co.
LOUISA, German 3-m. schooner, Captain Schierlock.—Edward Schellhaus & Co.
CORINNE, British barque, Capt. Robertson.—Wieler & Co.
CHINAMAN, British barque, Capt. MacKenzie.—Chinese.
ANNIE S. HALL, American bark, Captain C. H. Nelson.—Douglas Lapraik & Co.
RAJANATHAN, British str., Captain Hopkins.—Yuen Fat Hong.
CLUBBURN, British ship, Captain E. Shrewsbury.—Wieler & Co.

To-day's Advertisements.

FOR HOIHOW.
The Steamship
"HOLYROOD"
will be despatched for the above Port TO-MORROW, the 29th Instant, 10 a.m.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, September 28, 1877. oc29

BRITISH BARK "MANGERTON."
TENDERS FOR REPAIRS, RIGGER-
WORK AND SAILS will be Received by the Undermanned till 8 p.m., on SATURDAY, the 29th Instant.
WIELER & Co.,
Agents for Owners of
British Bark "Mangerton."
Hongkong, September 28, 1877. oc29

FOR AMOY, TAIWANFOO & TAMSUI.
The Steamship
"TAIWAN"
Capt. M. Young, will be despatched for the above Ports on MONDAY, the 1st Proximo, at Noon.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.
Hongkong, September 28, 1877. ocl

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHEOW.
The Steamship
"YESSO"
Capt. S. Ashton, will be despatched for the above Ports on TUESDAY, the 2nd Proximo, at Noon.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.
Hongkong, September 28, 1877. oc2

Charters Elected.

The following charters have been effected during the last week:—
British bark Woodville, 714, hence to London, private.
American ship Henry S. Sanford, 1169, hence to New York, private.
German bark Bertha, 442, hence to Hamburg, private.
British ship, Banlan, 780, Amoy to New York, private.
British bark Glamorganshire, 456, Newchwang to Hongkong, 26 cents per picul, 25 lay days.
German bark Malvina, 499, Newchwang to Hongkong, 27½ cents per picul, 25 lay days.
British bark Georgina, 314, Newchwang to Whampoa, 30 cents per picul, 24 lay days.
British bark Nimrod, 695, Newchwang to Swatow, 24 cents per picul, 30 lay days.
American bark Quikstep, 836, Newchwang to Swatow, 22 cents per picul.
British bark Mene, 629, Newchwang to Swatow, 28½ cents per picul, 25 lay days.
British bark E. M. Young, 345, Newchwang to Swatow, 28½ cents per picul, 24 lay days.
British schooner Annie S. Hall, 455, Newchwang to Swatow, 28½ cents per picul, 25 lay days.
British steamer Pernambuco, 618, Hongkong to Saigon, \$1,200 in full.
British steamer Fenado, 652, Saigon to Manila, private.
German steamer Cassandra, 928, Swatow to Singapore, \$8 per head, 10 lay days.
British schooner Viscount Macduff, 289, hence to Haiphong and back, \$1,900 in full, 25 lay days.

British bark Anazi, 468, cleared for Guam.
British ship Sydenham, 1083, has taken the berth for London, rate nominally £2 per 50 feet.
British ship Northampton, 1161, has taken the berth for Singapore, having been ordered to that Port from home.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Sept. 28, Dartmouth, British barque, 916, J. Robertson, Cardiff June 18, Coal.—ORDER.
Sept. 28, Holyrood, British steamer, 393, Morston, Haiphong Sept. 28, and Holhow 28, Rice and Merchandise.—RUSSELL & Co.
Sept. 28, Marietas, Spanish steamer, 428, Munoz, Manila Sept. 26, General.—RENEDES & Co.

DEPARTURES.

Sept. 27, Charlton, for Cooktown.
27, Louisa, for Haiphong.
28, Pernambuco, for Saigon.
28, Charlotte Andrews, for Holhow.
28, Jan Peter, for Monte Video.
28, Fuyew, for Canton.

CLEARED.

Zamboanga, for Singapore.
Yotung, for Holhow.
Johanna, for New York.
Nimrod, for Newchwang.
Ulysses, for Shanghai.
Georgina, for Newchwang.
Humboldt, for Whampoa.
Kim Yung Tye, for Whampoa.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per Marietas, from Manila, Mr Ponco de Leon, and 13 Chinese.
Per Holyrood, for Haiphong and Holhow, 2 Europeans, and 3 Chinese.

DEPARTED.

Per Charlton, for Cooktown, 10 Europeans, and 4 Chinese.
Per Charlotte Andrews, for Holhow, 2 Chinese.

TO DEPART.

Per Zamboanga, for Singapore, 300 Chinese.
Per Yotung, for Holhow, 30 Chinese.
Per Ulysses, for Shanghai, Miss Kell.
Per Kim Yung Tye, for Bangkok, 10 Chinese.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer Holyrood reports: From Holhow to Hongkong along N.E. wind and high sea, till 4 a.m. this morning, when weather moderated.

The British barque Dartmouth reports: Left Cardiff on June 13th, and sailed the Equator July 15th, experienced fresh S.E. trades to lat. 26 S, from there had strong N.E. breezes, and Westerly gales, during which lost main royal mast. Crossed the Meridian of the Cape August 8th, and on the 11th came across the British ship Duchess of Argyll, London to Melbourne, with loss of fore and main topmasts, fore topmast yard, and fore yard. Passed Anjer Sept. 3rd, 82 days out; beat through Sunda Strait. Cleared Gaspar Strait on the 9th, and experienced light variable winds to lat. 17 N, when had strong N.E. monsoon and equally weather to arrival in port; 106 days out.

POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS.

MAILS will close:—

For HOIHOW.—
Per HOLYROOD, at 8.30 a.m. To-morrow, the 29th Inst.

For HOIHOW & HAIPHONG.—
Per ALBANY, at 3.30 p.m., on Saturday, the 29th Inst.

For QUINHOON.—
Per Brig EUDOXIE ADOLPHINE, at 5 p.m., on Saturday, the 29th Inst.

For SHANGHAI.—
Per ULYSSES, at 8 p.m. To-morrow, the 29th Inst.

For AMOY, TAIWANFOO & TAMSUI.—
For TAIWAN, at 11.30 a.m., on Monday, the 1st October.

For SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHEOW.—
Per YESSO, at 11.30 a.m., on Tuesday, the 2nd October.

For YOKOHAMA & SAN FRANCISCO.—
Per GABRIEL, at 2.30 p.m., on Tuesday, the 2nd October, instead of as previously notified.

For BANGKOK.—
Per RAJANATHAN, at 4.30 p.m., on Tuesday, the 2nd Oct.

POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS.

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET.—
The French Contract Packet SINDH will be despatched from Hongkong on SATURDAY, the 29th Instant, with Mails to and through the United Kingdom and Europe, via Mauritius, to Saigon, Singapore, Batavia, Galle, Australia, New Zealand, Tasmania, Fiji, Aden, Seychelles, Réunion, Mauritius, Suva, and Alexandria. This is the best opportunity for forwarding correspondence to E. Africa, the Cape, St. Helena, and Anconson.

Letters may also be forwarded to India by this Packet, but can be paid only as far as Ceylon. The postage to Ceylon must be prepaid. Such letters should be marked Paid to Ceylon only; they will go on from Galle as unpaid.

The following will be the hours of closing the Mails, &c.:—
Friday, 28th September.—
5 p.m., Money Order Office closes. Post Office closes except the Night Box, which remains open all night.

Saturday, 29th September.—
7 a.m., Post Office opens for sale of Stamps, Registry of Letters, and Posting of all correspondence.

10 a.m., Registry of Letters ceases.
11 a.m., Post Office closes except for Late Letters.

11.10 a.m., Letters (but Letters only) except those to and through Australia, may be posted on payment of a Late Fee of 18 cents extra postage, until

11.30 a.m., when the Post Office Closes entirely.
Hongkong, September 21, 1877. oc29

MAILS BY THE ENGLISH PACKET.—

The English Contract Packet KHIVA will be despatched with the Mails for Europe, &c., on THURSDAY, the 11th October.

The following will be the hours of closing the Mails, &c.:—
Wednesday, the 10th October.—
5 p.m., Money Order Office closes.

6 p.m., Post Office closes except the Night Box, which remains open all night.

Thursday, the 11th October.—
7 a.m., Post Office opens for sale of Stamps, Registry of Letters, and Posting of all correspondence.

10 a.m., Post Office closes except for Late Letters. Registry of Letters ceases.

10.15 a.m., Letters may be posted with Late Fee of 18 cents extra postage till

11 a.m., when the Post Office Closes entirely.

11.30 a.m., Letters (but Letters only) addressed to the United Kingdom via Brindisi, or to Singapore, may be printed on board the Packet with Late Fee of 48 cents extra postage till

11.50 a.m., when the Mail is finally closed.
Hongkong, September 24, 1877. ocl1

Shipping Intelligence.

The following is corrected from the latest London and Colonial Papers:—

VESSELS TO ARRIVE.

AT HONGKONG.

When left.	Name.	From.	Remarks.
Feb.	6, Carrizal,	Cardiff (Drest Feb. 23)	
Mar.	17, D. McB. Park,	Sunderland v. S'pore	
	18, Cytroa,	New York	for Canton
	19, Gygara,	Cardiff	
	22, Birling,	Cardiff	
	27, Fortuna,	Antwerp	
Apr.	8, Rota,	Cardiff	
	13, Vega,	Hamburg	
May	3, Stagbound,	Liverpool	
	10, David,	Antwerp	
	11, Naworth,	Antwerp	
	12, Othandon,	idid	
	18, Alstra,	idid	
	19, Sophia,	Liverpool	
	20, Melusine,	Penarth	
	26, Martha Jackson,	Penarth	
	28, Alexandra,	Liverpool	
	27, Kate Carnte,	Falmouth	
	30, C. E. Bishop,	Falmouth	
June	2, Marco Polo,	Hamburg	
	4, Melbroke,	London	
	4, Rhonda-Ballaugh,	London	
	4, Rhonda-Castle,	Cuxhaven	
	7, Flinard Brumm,	Portsmouth	
	9, Elmonston,	Cardiff	
	11, Candiside,	Cardiff	
	12, Danbighshire,	Cardiff	
	14, Helicon,	Cardiff	
	17, Onaida,	Cardiff	
	18, Henry Lippett,	New York	
	19, City of Halifax,	Cardiff	
	20, Lord of the Isles,	London	
	21, Clara,	Penarth	
	23, R. O. Rickmers,	London v. Newport	
	28, Cuba,	Penarth	
July	7, City of Limerick (s.),	London	
	10, Agamemnon (s.),	Liverpool	
	10, Niagara,	Cuxhaven	
	11, Horra,	Liverpool	
	11, Horra,	Cardiff	
	12, Jesse Jamieson,	Cardiff	
	14, Abernethy,	Liverpool	
	18, Carl Ritter,	Cardiff	
	20, Globa,	Deal	
	20, Ferdinand,	Cardiff	
Aug.	8, Anchesis (s.),	Liverpool	
	10, Pape,	Cardiff	
	11, North Star,	Cardiff	
	11, E. P. Bonverie,	Penarth	
	14, Regular,	Cardiff	
	14, Moss Glen,	Penarth	
	16, Cashmere,	Liverpool	

AT SHANGHAI.

May	2, Goodell,	New York
	18, Norman Court,	Gravesend
	30, Wyo,	London
June	4, Harman,	Deal
	8, Birchval,	London
	8, Navedin,	New York

LOADING FOR CHINA AND JAPAN PORTS.
At London.—Steamer, via Suez Canal.
Radnorshire, Glenelg.
Fluere Castle, Bantry.
Glennear, Glenties.
Zanzibar, Balling Tyside.

At London.—
Batlandshire, Agnes Muir.
Walter Mendelssohn, Johann Smidt.
Harkaway, Falkon.

At Liverpool.
Glaucus (s.), De. Men (s.).
Charger,

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

Shipping.
10 a.m.—Holyrood leaves for Holhow.
Noon.—French Mail leaves for Ports of Call and Europe.
4 p.m.—Albany leaves for Holhow, &c.

Tenders Close.
3 p.m.—Tenders for Repairs of the British bark Mangerton, will be received at the office of the Agents.

General Memoranda.
SUNDAY, September 30:—
Application for Shares in the North China Insurance Co. must be made on or before this date.

MONDAY, October 1:—
Bank Holiday.
Noon.—Taiwan leaves for Formosa.
9 p.m.—Meeting of Zealand Lodge.

TUESDAY, October 2:—
Noon.—Yesso leaves for Coast Ports.
3 p.m.—Occidental & Oriental S. S. Co.'s Steamer leaves for Yokohama and San Francisco.

FRIDAY, October 5:—
Noon.—General Weekly Sale by Messrs Lane, Crawford & Co.
Brisbane leaves for Singapore, &c., on or about this date.

SATURDAY, October 6:—
4 p.m.—Sale of Houses, at the Upper Station Street.

THURSDAY, October 11:—
Noon.—English Mail leaves for Ports of Call and Europe.

THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.
Established A.D. 1841.
香港大藥房

A. S. WATSON & Co.,
FAMILY & DISPENSING CHEMISTS,
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DRUGGISTS,
IMPORTERS

OF
DRUGGISTS' Sundries, NURSERY REQUISITES, TOILET REQUISITES, ENGLISH, AMERICAN, AND FOREIGN PATENT MEDICINES.

MANUFACTURERS
OF
Soda Water, Lemonade, Tonic Water, Gingerale, Potass Water, Sarsaparilla Water, and other Aerated Waters.

The Manufactory is under direct and continuous European Supervision.
Hongkong, June 1, 1876.

The publication of this issue commenced at 7.15 p.m.

THE CHINA MAIL.
HONGKONG, FRIDAY, SEPT. 28, 1877.

If the Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Company were not at present engaged in a keen competition with an opposition maintained by home capitalists, the mode of fighting which must be left to the Directors of the Company, we should have said that the moral to be gathered from the case against the steamer Kinsan reported yesterday was, —to raise the fares at once for native passengers to and from Canton. There can be very little doubt about the fact that an offence has been committed, and that the law infringed was perfectly comprehensible, however faulty may have been the principles upon which its provisions were framed. As a correspondent elsewhere suggests, the Directors of the Steamboat Co. did not make any special remonstrance against the Ordinance when it was discussed before the Legislative Council, and consequently the objections to its operation fall to be noted by the Company's Solicitor when pleading before the Police Magistrate. The fact that one of the Directors occupied a seat on the Council at the time referred to seems to us to be a small matter, as it is presumed that a gentleman holding such a position would, as a matter of course, place the consideration of the public good before that of any commercial undertaking with which he might be identified. Be this as it may, the Ordinance was passed, and it became law, while a narrow escape lately experienced by the Ichang, opposition steamer, might have served as a gentle reminder to those interested. The offence, however—or rather series of offences—was admitted, and it remained for the Magistrate merely to obtain proof of the number of the passengers overcarried by the steamer on the day in question and to assess the penalty incurred. Under those circumstances it was by way of a forlorn hope that the learned Counsel for the Company pleaded mitigation. His client had unquestionably been a very naughty boy; there was no getting over that, spite of all the elasticity and eloquence at command. It was represented that the peculiar ways of the "Chinese" passengers were absolutely a matter "over which the Company had no control;" but then, on the other hand, it was pleaded on behalf of the offending Company, that they "would take such precautions that the offence should not happen again!"

The steamer Kinsan has been known to carry over 2,000 passengers with safety, and Mr. Brereton therefore called attention to what seems to be an anomaly when the Company was fined \$4,020 on the legal ground of overcrowding, for

carrying but 1,675 souls. This is a very good basis on which to reconsider the principle on which the restriction of the number is founded, but has of course little or nothing to do with the administration of the law by the Magistrate. Nothing could more correctly demonstrate the reasonable solution of this unfortunate affair than the blunder which Mr. May made or supposed he had made in the exercise of his discretion. He at first thought that \$1 per head for the passengers over-carried, and \$250—making a total of \$1,004—would meet the requirements of the case; but finding that he had, in his opinion, no discretion in the matter, notwithstanding Mr. Brereton's arguments and his own convictions of what was right, he was compelled to increase the penalty to the sum of \$4,020. What effect this case may have upon the law which has just been brought into force as against the Company, it is not for us to say. When H. E. the Governor reduces the fine to a nominal sum, as he is sure to do, the lesson will, we trust, still have its effect, and that every precaution will be taken by the officers of the Company to adhere more strictly to the requirements of the Ordinance so long as it remains in force.

Mr. Norman Wiard, the enterprising citizen of South Boston who was to have rendered China impregnable against invasion from the sea, appears to have abandoned that undertaking for pursuits of a somewhat less elevated character, from dabbling in millions of imaginative dollars Mr. Wiard has descended to a squabble with a Yokohama printer over the payment of a bill. It seems that Mr. Wiard had entrusted the manager of the Japan Gazette with the printing of 500 pamphlets, setting forth, we presume, the advantages of some of Mr. Wiard's marvellous inventions. For these and other articles payment has not been forthcoming, the result being that Mr. Wiard finds it necessary to turn his attention from the defence of the shores of China to that of his personal interests. Judging from the evidence adduced it would seem that Mr. Wiard has displayed some anxiety to render Japan impregnable to attack as well as China. Plaintiff stated in his evidence, for instance, that defendant told him he wanted another edition of the pamphlet printed on thicker paper "for the high officials, to 'hoodwink' them into a contract;" that he was "not in Japan for nothing, and went in for 'high fishes';" and that the book must be printed as he had "something good on." Judgment in the case was reserved.

Mr. Wiard's scheme for the defence of China seems to "hang fire" somewhat. It is now more than a year and a half since a San Francisco paper conveyed to us the startling intelligence that Mr. Wiard was on his way to this quarter of the world to spend \$6,000,000 in defences for the shores and river mouths of the Middle Kingdom. The Chinese had, said the article, lately taken into careful consideration the fact that in case of a foreign war their harbours and river mouths were almost entirely without protection against foreign enemies, and to remedy this state of affairs an appropriation of \$6,000,000 had been made, and an official note forwarded to the United States Government asking that some one might be sent out to China with plans of fortifications and proposals for the manufacture of heavy ordnance. The United States Government received the application favourably, and Mr. Wiard was the man of their choice. Before leaving for China Mr. Wiard was of course "interviewed," and it was from the information imparted by him on this occasion that the San Francisco paper was able to startle the world with the brilliancy and formidableness of Mr. Wiard's schemes. It was true that nothing had been heard here of the appropriation of \$6,000,000 by the Chinese Government for coast defences, but Mr. Wiard appeared to have the whole affair so carefully considered and prepared that the importance of his mission could hardly be doubted. In the matter of fortifications, Mr. Wiard's plans were specially interesting and ingenious. This, for instance, was his scheme for defending harbours and river mouths, as explained to the reporter who interviewed him—"I propose to place in the centre of the channel of the harbour or river, as the case may be, a brick fort 300 feet high. The centre only will be of brick, and the sides composed of a sand slope from the top reaching to the water-line. Below that the slope will be continued with rubble stone. The brick centre will be surrounded 500 feet long by 100 feet wide, and the guns will be placed only on top. In shape the whole fort will be a truncated pyramid, with a parallelogram-shaped base. The great height of the guns will place them out of the reach of ships' guns, and from the top of the fort a plunging fire can be sent that will sink any ship that attempts to pass. The channel will be so altered by dredging or filling, as may be necessary, that the vessel entering the harbor must pass within easy range of the fort. The only way that the fire could be returned from the vessels would be by the uncertain method of a mortar, and as bomb-proofs would be constructed on the top of the fort, these would have little or no effect. This is the plan I shall recommend. Whether it will be adopted or not I can't say." In the course of further remarks Mr. Wiard said he proposed that each fort should be armed with about 200 guns each. He also added the somewhat superfluous information that "no ram could affect such forts, nor could torpedoes injure them." Fancy a vessel ramming a brick and sand fort about

fifty feet thick! On the whole it seems to be rather a misfortune for military science that the Chinese Government appear not to have received Mr. Wiard's proposals favourably. With such forts as these along the coast, China might be able to shut herself up for ever.

REUTERS' TELEGRAMS.

[SUPPLIED TO THE "CHINA MAIL."] (Via Southern Route.)
LONDON, 24th September, 1877.

The Detectives implicated in the recent Turf frauds have been committed for trial.

Between 50,000 and 75,000 models in the American Patent Office have been destroyed by fire.

THE WAR.
According to an official Turkish despatch the Turkish Division and convoy of ammunition had entered Plevna.

LONDON, 26th September, 1877.

It is reported that the Russian centre on the 25th instant, attacked Plevna, and were defeated with very heavy loss. No official confirmation of this has yet been received.

The Russians have attacked the Turkish positions at South Igdyr, but were compelled to fall back, having lost many killed.

Later advices give the Russian and Roumanian loss at Plevna as 21,000, not 27,000.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

VESSELS SPOKEN.—July 26, Birchvale, 663, from London for Shanghai, 45 days out, in lat. 31° S. and long. 23° W.

TELEGRAPHIC communication between Singapore and Batavia by the Eastern Extension Australasia and China Telegraph

Do.	Do.	4 P.M.	76
Do.	Maximum	...	81
Do.	Minimum over night		75

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COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANÇAIS.
STEAM FOR
SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA,
POINT DE GALLE, ADEN, SUERZ,
ISMAILA, PORT SAID, NAPLES,
AND MARSEILLES;
Also,
BOMBAY, MAHE, ST. DENIS, AND
PORT LOUIS.

ON SATURDAY, the 29th September, 1877, at Noon, the Company's S. S. *SINDE*, Commandant NORDEN, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECK, and CARGO, will leave this Port for the above places.
Cargo and Speck will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.
Cargo will be received on board until 4 p.m., Speck and Parcels until 3 p.m. on the 28th September, 1877. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.)
Contents and value of Packages are required.
For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

H. DU POUEY,
Agent.
Hongkong, September 20, 1877. sc20

Occidental & Oriental Steam-Ship Company.

TAKING THROUGH CARGO AND PASSENGERS FOR THE UNITED STATES AND EUROPE, IN CONNECTION WITH THE CENTRAL and UNION PACIFIC AND CONNECTING RAILROAD COMPANIES AND ATLANTIC STEAMERS.

THE S. S. "GAELIC" will be dispatched for San Francisco via Yokohama, on TUESDAY, the 2nd Proximo, at 8 p.m., taking Cargo and Passengers to Japan, the United States and Europe.
Connection is made at Yokohama, with Steamers from Shanghai.
Freight will be received on Board until 4 p.m. of the 1st Proximo. PARCEL PACKAGES will be received at the Office until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.
Return Passage Tickets available for 8 months are issued at a reduction of 20 per cent. on regular rates.
For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 37, Queen's Road Central.
G. B. EMORY, Agent.
Hongkong, September 27, 1877. oc2



STEAM FOR

Singapore, Penang, Point de Galle, Aden, Suez, Malta, Brindisi, Ancona, Venice, Mediterranean Ports, Southampton, and London, via Bombay, Also,
Bombay, Madras, and Calcutta.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steamship *KHIVA*, Captain LEE, will leave this on THURSDAY, the 11th October, at Noon.

TEA and GENERAL CARGO for LONDON will be conveyed via Bombay without transshipment, arriving one week later than by the direct route. Silk and valuables will be transferred to the Calcutta Steamer at Galle.

For further Particulars, apply to
A. LIND, Superintendent.
Hongkong, September 24, 1877. oc11

U. S. MAIL LINE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND TOUCHING AT YOKOHAMA, AND SAN FRANCISCO.

THE U. S. Mail Steamer *CITY OF PEKING* will be dispatched for San Francisco, via Yokohama, on SATURDAY, the 12th Proximo, at 12 o'clock Noon, taking Passengers, and Freight, for Japan, the United States, and Europe.
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Consular Invoices to accompany Overland Cargo should be sent to the Company's Office in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.
For security's sake, Shippers of Overland Cargo are requested to enclose on the Envelopes the Marks and Nos. of Packages Shipped, to correspond with those in their Bills of Lading.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 8, Praya Central.

RUSSELL & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, September 24, 1877. oc23

Intimations.

AM YON,
SHIPS' COMPEADORE AND STEVEDORE,
No. 57, Praya West.
SHIPPING SUPPLIED WITH ALL KINDS OF COAL, WATER, BALLAST, FRESH PROVISIONS & OILMAN'S STORES.

Of the best quality and at the shortest notice.
Hongkong, May 1, 1876.

KWONG HING CHEUNG & Co.,
COAL MERCHANTS.
Have always on hand for Sale every description of COAL at Moderate Prices.
Mr. YON has been appointed Manager, and all Orders addressed to him at 57, Praya, or to Mr. FAR JACK, at 30, Hung Lung Street, will receive immediate attention.
Hongkong, March 19, 1877. ml9

INSURANCES.

THE NORTH-CHINA INSURANCE CO.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL—Tael Two Million, in 1,000 shares of Tael 2,000 each.
PAID UP CAPITAL—Tael Six Hundred Thousand, or Tael 600 per share.

PROVISIONAL COMMITTEE.
F. H. BELL, Esq. (Messrs. Adamson, Bell & Co.)
M. S. GURRAY, Esq. (Messrs. David Sassoon, Sons & Co.)
JAMES HART, Esq. (Messrs. Turner & Co.)
E. H. LAYERS, Esq. (Messrs. Gilman & Co.)
HUGH SUTHERLAND, Esq. (Messrs. John Forster & Co.)
A. G. WOOD, Esq. (Messrs. Gibb, Livingston & Co.)

HEAD OFFICE—SHANGHAI.
Secretary—HERBERT S. MORRIS, Esq.
HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.
BRANCHES.
LONDON (25, Cornhill, E.C.), HONGKONG, YOKOHAMA.

AGENCIES.
At the principal ports in the East and Australian Colonies.

THE Company will be constituted on the 1st January, 1878, as a permanent Marine Insurance Company, to carry on the business (established in 1863) of the NORTH CHINA INSURANCE COMPANY, 1875-1877.

A Reserve Fund will be formed of Tael 400,000, by setting aside a portion of the profits at such times and in such sums as the Shareholders shall decide.

The net profits of the Company for each year will be divided amongst the Shareholders in the following manner:—

One-third over the Shares, a portion thereof being set aside for the formation of a Reserve Fund as above stated.

Two-thirds as a return to Contributors (being Shareholders) in proportion to the Premiums paid or influenced by them.

A revision of the Share List will take place at the end of every three years, and for this purpose power will be given to the Directors by the Deed of Settlement to withdraw at the before-mentioned periods all or any of the Shares held by Shareholders who have not contributed Premium or whose contributions during the preceding three years have not been in proportion to the number of Shares held.

Shareholders retiring from the Company in pursuance of the above regulation, will be notified at least three months prior to the date fixed for any such revision of the Share List, and will have the option of disposing of their Shares in either of the following ways:—

They will be at liberty at any time after receipt of notice of withdrawal, and prior to the date of revision, to sell their Shares to any person approved by the Company and accepted as the transferee; or

Upon surrendering their scrip certificate for cancellation at the time of such revision, and pursuant to notice, will receive a return of the Capital paid up thereon; and so soon after as the financial position of the Company up to the date of the revision can be ascertained and the accounts adjusted, they shall also receive a pro-rata share of the Reserve Fund, if any accumulated, together with such proportion of the unappropriated profits as may be found due to them.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that Applications for Shares in the undermentioned form will be received at the offices of the Company, until the 30th September; from London and distant ports until 31st October next.

Forms of application for Shares can be obtained at the Head-office, or by application to the Agents of the Company, Shanghai, June 18, 1877. oc1

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RUSSELL & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, September 24, 1877. oc23

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RUSSELL & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, September 24, 1877. oc23

INSURANCES.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

AGENTS at all the Treaty Ports of China and Japan, and at Singapore, Saigon and Penang.

Risks accepted, and Policies of Insurance granted at the rates of Premium current at the above mentioned Ports.

NO CHARGE FOR POLICY FEES.
JAS. B. COUGHRAN, Secretary.

Hongkong, November 1, 1871.

LANCASHIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.
(FIRE AND LIFE.)

CAPITAL—TWO MILLIONS STERLING.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant Policies against the Risk of FIRE on Buildings or on Goods stored therein, on Coals in Malthouse, on Goods on board Vessels and on Hulls of Vessels in Harbour, at the usual Terms and Conditions.

Proposals for Life Insurance will be received, and transmitted to the Directors for their decision.

If required, protection will be granted on first class Lives up to \$1000 on a Single Life.

For Rates of Premiums, forms of proposals or any other information, apply to ARNOLD, KARBURG & Co.

Agents Hongkong & Canton.
Hongkong, January 4, 1867.

ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned, Agents for the above Company, are prepared to grant Insurance at current rates.

MELBOURN & Co., Agents, Royal Insurance Company.
Hongkong, October 27, 1874.

CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY, (LIMITED.)

NOTICE.

POLICIES granted at current rates on Marine risks to all parts of the World, in accordance with the Company's Articles of Association, Two Thirds of the Profits are distributed annually to Contributors, whether Shareholders or not, in proportion to the net amount of Premiums contributed by each, the remaining third being carried to Reserve Fund.

OLYMPIC & Co., General Agents.
Hongkong, April 17, 1873.

QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant Policies against Fire to the extent of \$50,000 on Buildings, or on Goods stored therein, at current local rates, subject to a Discount of 20% on the Premium.

NORTON & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, January 1, 1874.

NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

Incorporated by Royal Charter and Special Acts of Parliament.

ESTABLISHED 1809.

CAPITAL £2,000,000.

THE Undersigned, Agents at Hongkong for the above Company, are prepared to grant Policies against FIRE, to the extent of \$10,000 on any Building, or on Merchandise in the same, at the usual Rates, subject to a discount of 20 per cent.

GILMAN & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, July 6, 1875.

THE LONDON ASSURANCE.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER of His Majesty King George The First, A. D. 1720.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Corporation are prepared to grant Insurances as follows:—

Marine Department.
Policies at current rates payable either here, in London or at the principal Ports of India, China and Australia.

Fire Department.
Policies issued for long or short periods at current rates. A discount of 20% allowed.

Life Department.
Policies issued for sums not exceeding \$5,000 at reduced rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
Hongkong, July 28, 1872.

MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned Agents are in receipt of instructions from the Board of Directors authorizing them to issue Policies to the extent of \$10,000 on any one first class risk, or to the extent of \$15,000 on adjoining risks at current rates.

A Discount of 20% allowed.
HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
Hongkong, January 8, 1875.

MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF MANCHESTER AND LONDON.

THE Undersigned have been appointed Agents for the above Company at Hongkong, Canton, Foochow, Shanghai and Hankow, and are prepared to grant Insurances at current rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
Hongkong, October 14, 1875.

Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

Exclusive of late Arrivals and Departures reported to-day.

To facilitate finding the position of any vessel in the Harbour, the Anchorage is divided into Eight Sections, commencing at Green Island. Vessels near the Hongkong shore are marked A, near the Kowloon shore B, and those in the body of the Shipping or midway between each shore are marked C, in conjunction with the figures denoting the sections.

1. From Green Island to the Gas Works.
2. From Gas Works to the Novelty Iron Works.
3. From Novelty Iron Works to the Harbour Master's Office.
4. From Harbour Master's Office to the P. and O. Co.'s Office.

5. From P. and O. Co.'s Office to Peddar's Wharf.
6. From Peddar's Wharf to the Naval Yard.
7. From Naval Yard to the Pier.
8. From Pier to East Point.

Vessel's Name.	Anchor sign.	Captain.	Flag and Reg.	Tons.	Date of Arrival.	Consignees or Agents.	Destination.	Remarks.
Steamers								
Albay	5 c	F. Ashton	Span. str.	366	Sept. 24	Douglas Laprak & Co.	Holhow & Haiphong	K'long Dock
Burmese	5 c	Link	Brit. str.	1268	Sept. 22	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Sapore and Penang	
Cassandra	6 h	Langer	Ger. str.	937	Sept. 25	Wm. Pustan & Co.		
Fame	4 k	Stratford	Brit. str.	117	.....	R. K. & W'poo Dock Co.		
Gaelic	4 k	Kilday	Brit. str.	1713	Sept. 20	O. & S. S. Co.	Yama & S. Foisce	Tug Flying
Hollywood	3 c	Moreton	Brit. str.	333	Sept. 28	Russell & Co.	Malla, Sadp.	To-morrow
Malacca	5 c	Briscoe	Brit. str.	1046	Sept. 18	O. & S. N. Co.	Holhow	Malls
Panama	5 c	Cain	Brit. str.	652	Sept. 25	Siemens & Co.	Yokohama	
Pernambuco	4 c	Hyde	Brit. str.	643	Sept. 21	Wm. Pustan & Co.	Salgon	To-day
Rajasthanianhar	3 h	Hopkins	Brit. str.	933	Sept. 24	Tuen Fat Hong	Hangkok	
Sea Gull	5 h	Roberts	Brit. str.	48	Sept. 19	Insurance Company		
Sindh	5 c	Nomdedeu	Foh. str.	1903	Sept. 25	Messageries Maritimes	Marselles, &c.	To-morrow
Nomdedeu	4 c	Cooper	Brit. str.	987	Sept. 26	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Cooper	4 h	Young	Brit. str.	408	Sept. 26	Douglas Laprak & Co.	Amoy and Tamsui	1st prox.
Young	5 c	Glard	Foh. str.	1009	Sept. 26	Messageries Maritimes	Yokohama	Malls
Glard	5 c	Glard	Brit. str.	1660	Sept. 27	Butterfield & Swire	Shanghai	30th daylight
Holland	3 h	Holland	Brit. str.	354	June 4	J. C. McBain		Reprising
Hawkins	4 h	Hawkins	Brit. str.	286	Sept. 23	Kwong Lee Yuen & Co.	Holhow & Haiphong	at daylight
Zamboanga	4 c	Aranguren	Span. str.	651	Sept. 11	Butterfield & Swire	Singapore	To-day
Sailing Vessels								
Abel Abbot	8 c	Chaz	Am. Sm. so.	590	Sept. 24	Order		
Aberlady	8 c	Nioll	Brit. bqe.	735	Aug. 6	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	New York	K'long Dock
Alice	2 k	Lav	Brit. bqe.	628	Sept. 24	Russell & Co.		
Alphington	3 c	Cunningham	Brit. bqe.	328	Sept. 24	W. & L. Co.		For Sale
Alva	8 c	Souza	Port. sh.	631	Aug. 30	Brandao & Co.		
Annie S. Hall	8 h	Nelson	Amer. bqe.	455	Sept. 25	Douglas Laprak & Co.		
Auguste	4 k	Thomson	Brit. Sm. so.	210	Aug. 10	Meyer & Co.	Cape Town	
Benian	1 c	Grandin	Brit. sh.	760	Sept. 4	Meyer & Co.		
Bertha	4 k	Ringe	Ger. bqe.	442	Sept. 25	W. & L. Co.		
Chamron Kamrye	2 h	Müller	Slam. bqe.	480	Sept. 4	Chinese		
Charlotte Andrews	4 k	Beattie	Brit. bqe.	356	Sept. 6	Rozario & Co.	Quinhon	Cleared
Charron Wattana	2 h	Ulrich	Slam. sh.	656	Aug. 12	Chinese		
Cheng Soon	2 h	Cheng Sang	Slam. sch.	200	April 30	Chinese		
Chill	4 k	Teal	Brit. bqe.	445	July 30	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	Calao	
Chinaman	8 c	McKenzie	Brit. bqe.	687	Sept. 21	Douglas Laprak & Co.		
Chlorum	8 c	Shrewsbury	Brit. sh.	1884	Sept. 25	W. & L. Co.		
Cheon	8 h	Vineat	Amer. sch.	150	Sept. 25	Insurance Co.		
Cornine	8 h	Robertson	Brit. bqe.	395	Sept. 19	W. & L. Co.		
Criterion	8 c	Lull	Amer. sh.	1544	Sept. 1	Siemens & Co.		
Darra	1 c	Cameron	Brit. sh.	999	Sept. 14	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Haiphong	
Dartmouth	1 c	Robertson	Brit. bqe.	915	Sept. 28	Order		
E. M. Young	4 k	McMichen	Brit. bqe.	845	Sept. 24	Chinese		
Eudoxie Adolphine	4 k	Martin	Foh. sh.	254	Sept. 15	Carlowitz & Co.	Quinhon	
Galates	7 h	Jagger	Ger. sh.	1296	July 30	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	San Francisco	
Geo. Croshaw	8 c	Iving	Brit. bqe.	688	Sept. 21	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	London	
Georgina	8 c	Romney	Brit. bqe.	316	Sept. 4	Wm. Pustan & Co.		
Gold Hunter	8 c	Freeman	Amer. sh.	1200	July 6	Russell & Co.	New York	
Grasmere	8 c	Haslinghe	Brit. bqe.	698	July 1	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	New York	
Great Admiral	5 c	Thompson	Amer. sh.	1876	Aug. 19	Russell & Co.	New York	
Heronimus	4 k	Sleeper	Amer. sh.	1196	Aug. 12	Russell & Co.	New York	
Hieronymus	4 k	Blehl	Ger. bqe.	426	Sept. 23	W. & L. Co.		
Harbinger	8 c	Johnston	Brit. sh.	1506	July 27	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Humboldt	8 c	Stoll	Ger. bqe.	380	Sept. 26	Edward Schellhas & Co.		
Jacobine	8 c	Dennett	Brit. sh.	320	July 6	Arnold, Karberg & Co.		
Jan Peter	8 c	Hohlmann	Ger. bqe.	417	Aug. 21	Siemens & Co.	Newchwang	
Johanne	8 c	Ewert	Ger. bqe.	338	Sept. 4	Siemens & Co.	Monte Video	
Johanne	8 c	Bunge	Ger. sh.	768	July 6	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	New York	
Johanne	8 c	Harris	Slam. Sm. so.	765	July 11	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	San Francisco	
Johanne	2 c	Kent	Slam. Sm. so.	180	Sept. 2	Chinese		
Johanne	2 c	Kofoed	Slam. bqe.	820	Aug. 18	Tack Mee		
Johanne	8 c	Brown	Brit. bqe.	763	Sept. 26	Edward Schellhas & Co.		
Johanne	8 h	.....	Amer. sch.	45	Aug. 18	Insurance Co.		
Johanne	8 h	Montman	Brit. bqe.	847	July 1	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	Hamburg	
Johanne	8 h	Kindt	Slam. bqe.	432	Sept. 4	Tack Mee		
Johanne	8 c	Thompson	Brit. bqe.	330	Sept. 19	Adamson, Ball & Co.		
Johanne	4 k	Barnelater	Ger. bqe.	465	Sept. 25	Wm. Pustan & Co.		
Johanne	8 c	Robertson	Brit. bqe.	629	July 17	Gibb, Livingston & Co.		
Johanne	2 c	Dinkelberg	Ger. bqe.	598	Sept. 26	Melchers & Co.		
Johanne	8 c	Clark	Brit. bqe.	685	July 30	Captain		
Johanne	8 c	Clare	Brit. sh.	1161	Aug. 30	Gilman & Co.		
Johanne	8 c	Lowe	Brit. bqe.	529	Sept. 8	Meyer & Co.		
Johanne	4 k	Christiansen	Ger. bqe.	250	Sept. 27	Arnold, Karberg & Co.		
Johanne	2 c	Berry	Brit. sh.	1060	Sept. 6	Meyer & Co.		
Johanne	4 k	Hansen	Slam. bqe.	478	Sept. 25	Chinese		
Johanne	4 k	Nicolson	Brit. bqe.	290	Sept. 19	Kwong Kae		
Johanne	4 k	.....	Am. Sm. so.	408	Feb. 28	Arnold, Karberg & Co.	Haiphong	
Johanne	4 k	Francols	Foh. sh.	285	Sept. 2	Carlowitz & Co.		
Johanne	4 k	Andraesen	Slam. bqe.	314	Sept. 12	Chinese		
Johanne	8 c	Buge	Ger. sh.	230	Sept. 11	Chinese		
Johanne	1 c	Wachtalbranner	Slam. bqe.	769	Sept. 26	Douglas Laprak & Co.	Newchwang	put back
Johanne	4 k	MacKintosh	Brit. bqe.	769	Sept. 18	Edward Schellhas & Co.		
Johanne	3 k	Olough	Amer. sh.	1080	Sept. 6	Russell & Co.	London	
Johanne	4 k	Miller	Brit. sh.	1068	July 11	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.		
Johanne	3 k	Steffens	Ger. bqe.	458	Sept. 4	Siemens & Co.		
Johanne	3 k	Vorrath	Slam. bqe.	474	Sept. 26	Siemens & Co.		
Johanne	5 c	Barry	Amer. sh.	1229	Sept. 17	Meyer & Co.		
Johanne	8 c	Wright	Brit. Sm. so.	289	Aug. 28	Borneo Co., Limited	London	
Johanne	8 c	Nielsen	Brit. bqe.	714	Sept. 5	Meyer & Co.	London	
WHAMPOA								
Wadden		Fraser	Brit. bqe.	837	Sept. 28	Chinese		
Wormouth		McPherson	Brit. Sm. so.	199	Sept. 26	Meyer & Co.		
CANTON								
Weymouth		Crom	Chl. str.	920	Sept. 26	O. M. S. N. Co.	Shanghai	
Wingaze		Schnitz	Brit. str.	782	Sept. 26	Siemens & Co.	Shanghai	